

**Amendments in the Claims:** (struck-through parts deleted and underlined parts added)

1. (currently amended) A truck cap lifting and storage assembly comprising:  
a first elongated member and a second elongated member each having a first end,  
5 a second end, a top side, a bottom side, and a pair of lateral side edges;  
a plurality of support panels each having an upper surface and a lower surface;  
a plurality of securing members, each of said securing members securing each of  
said lower surfaces to one of said top sides such that each of said  
elongated members has two panels attached thereto, each of said panels  
10 having a width greater than a width of said elongated members such that  
each of panels extends beyond each of said lateral sides of an attached one  
of elongated members;

a lifting assembly being attached to each of said first and second elongated  
members such that said first and second elongated members may be  
15 selectively lifted or lowered, said lifting assembly supporting said first and  
second elongated members such that said elongated members are spaced  
from each other and are orientated parallel to each other; and  
wherein the truck cap may be positioned on said elongated members and  
selectively raised or lowered by said lifting assembly.

20 Claim 2 (cancelled)

3. (currently amended) The assembly according to claim 2 1, wherein each of  
said first and second elongated members has a pair of elongated slots therein, said slots  
25 being spaced from each other and each of said slots extending along a longitudinal axis of  
said first and second elongated members, each of said slots being positioned adjacent to  
one of said first and second ends, each of said securing members including a post  
attached to one of said lower surfaces and extending into said slot, wherein said posts are  
selectively positionable along a length of an associated one of said slots.

4. (currently amended) The assembly according to claim ~~2~~ 1, wherein said lifting assembly further includes:

four first pulleys, two of said first pulleys being attached to each one of said first and second elongated members and being positioned adjacent to one of said first and second ends, each of said first pulleys having a rotational axis orientated substantially parallel to said longitudinal axis of said first and second elongated members;

four second pulleys, each of said second pulleys being attached to a ceiling surface, said second pulleys being spaced from each other and generally configured in a rectangular shape, a rotational axis of each of said second pulleys being orientated substantially parallel to said rotational axis of said first pulleys;

a plurality of cables coupling said each of said first pulleys to one of said second pulleys;

a winch assembly being attached to each of said cables for selectively winding or unwinding each of said cables, wherein said elongated members are lifted upwardly when said cables are wound and lowered when said cables are unwound.

5. (original) The assembly according to claim 1, wherein said lifting assembly further includes:

four first pulleys, two of said first pulleys being attached to one of said first and second elongated members and being positioned adjacent to one of said first and second ends, each of said first pulleys having a rotational axis orientated substantially parallel to said longitudinal axis of said first and second elongated members;

four second pulleys, each of said second pulleys being attached to a ceiling surface, said second pulleys being spaced from each other and generally configured in a rectangular shape, a rotational axis of each of said second pulleys being orientated substantially parallel to said rotational axis of said first pulleys;

a plurality of cables coupling said each of said first pulleys to one of said second pulleys;

a winch assembly being attached to each of said cables for selectively winding or unwinding each of said cables, wherein said elongated members are lifted upwardly when said cables are wound and lowered when said cables are unwound.

6. (original) A truck cap lifting and storage assembly comprising:

a first elongated member and a second elongated member each having;

a first end, a second end, a top side, a bottom side, and a pair of lateral side edges, said top side having a pair of elongated slots therein, said slots being spaced from each other and each of said slots extending along a longitudinal axis of said first and second elongated members, each of said slots being positioned adjacent to one of said first and second ends;

a plurality of support panels each having an upper surface and a lower surface;

a plurality of securing members, each of said securing members securing each of said lower surfaces to one of said top sides such that each of said elongated members has two panels attached thereto, each of said panels having a width greater than a width of said elongated members such that each of panels extends beyond each of said lateral sides of an attached one of elongated members, each of said securing members including a post attached to one of said lower surfaces and extending into said slot, wherein said posts are selectively positionable along a length of an associated one of said slots;

a lifting assembly being attached to each of said first and second elongated members such that said first and second elongated members may be selectively lifted or lowered, said lifting assembly supporting each of said first and second elongated members such that said elongated members are spaced from each other and are orientated parallel to each other, said lifting assembly including;

four first pulleys, two of said first pulleys being attached to each one of  
said first and second elongated members and being positioned  
adjacent to one of said first and second ends, each of said first  
pulleys having a rotational axis orientated substantially parallel to  
said longitudinal axis of said first and second elongated members;  
four second pulleys, each of said second pulleys being attached to a  
ceiling surface, said second pulleys being spaced from each other  
and generally configured in a rectangular shape, a rotational axis of  
each of said second pulleys being orientated substantially parallel  
to said rotational axis of said first pulleys;  
a plurality of cables coupling said each of said first pulleys to one of said  
second pulleys;  
a winch assembly being attached to each of said cables for selectively  
winding or unwinding each of said cables, wherein said elongated  
members are lifted upwardly when said cables are wound and  
lowered when said cables are unwound; and  
wherein the truck cap may be positioned on said elongated members and  
selectively raised or lowered by said lifting assembly.

7. (new) A truck cap lifting and storage assembly comprising:  
a first elongated member and a second elongated member each having a first end,  
a second end, a top side, a bottom side, and a pair of lateral side edges;  
a lifting assembly being attached to each of said first and second elongated  
members such that said first and second elongated members may be  
selectively lifted or lowered, said lifting assembly supporting said first and  
second elongated members such that said elongated members are spaced  
from each other and are orientated parallel to each other, said lifting  
assembly including:  
four first pulleys, two of said first pulleys being attached to one of said  
first and second elongated members and being positioned adjacent  
to one of said first and second ends, each of said first pulleys

having a rotational axis orientated substantially parallel to said longitudinal axis of said first and second elongated members;  
four second pulleys, each of said second pulleys being attached to a ceiling surface, said second pulleys being spaced from each other and generally configured in a rectangular shape, a rotational axis of each of said second pulleys being orientated substantially parallel to said rotational axis of said first pulleys;  
a plurality of cables coupling said each of said first pulleys to one of said second pulleys;  
a winch assembly being attached to each of said cables for selectively winding or unwinding each of said cables, wherein said elongated members are lifted upwardly when said cables are wound and lowered when said cables are unwound; and  
wherein the truck cap may be positioned on said elongated members and selectively raised or lowered by said lifting assembly.